

# FORT PIERCE NEWS

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## COMMISSIONERS

### Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board.

Contract Made for the Building of Some Good Roads. Other Business.

County commissioners met in regular session, March 2nd, 1908, present C. H. Edwards chairman, P. Kroegel, J. F. Bell and Peter Raulerson, with D. S. Carlton sheriff and J. E. Fultz clerk. Minutes of last regular meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Edwards being unwell, Commissioner Bell was elected chairman pro tem.

Robert Bowler having tendered his resignation as ferryman, the same is accepted, and on motion, E. M. Stokes is appointed ferryman for Sebastian ferry at \$5.00 per month.

Reports of W. T. Laine, F. M. Tyler and F. R. Baker justices of the peace, Fred Lee county judge, G. E. Dutton tax collector and J. E. Fultz clerk, received.

Report of J. H. Wynn treasurer, received, paid warrants checked up and found correct as per Cashier of Bank of Fort Pierce.

Pension application of Mrs. Ostine, approved.

Road report of R. D. Hoke, Chas. Westcott and F. W. Willes, recommending a public road beginning at the county road where it intersects the line, west to rail road, using Dr. McCanton's fence as the south line of the road to be twelve foot wide, which is all that can be conveniently located with moving buildings, was approved, and if no protest is filed, will be declared a public road at the next meeting of the board.

On motion the board ordered for the exemption from taxes, received, as the said Lula Olmstead was a widow on January 1st, 1908, the application is denied.

Board adjourned to 8 a. m. Tuesday morning at said hour, all present except Commissioner Baker.

Request of the Sheriff for authority to purchase a wholesale supply of disinfectants for use in jail, received, and motion said request is refused because the board does not feel warranted in expending so much money at this time for said purpose.

On motion the board ordered through W. R. Jackson, 1,300 feet of wire cable.

On motion the 3 male convicts now under sentence, shall be put to work on the public roads, under charge of a deputy.

On motion Ellen Sands now in jail under sentence of the court, is hired to Peter Raulerson at the rate of \$5.00 per month.

On motion the board entered into an agreement and contract with B. F. Cook as follows:

This contract and agreement, made and entered into this 3rd day of March 1908, by and between the Board of Commissioners of St. Lucie County, Florida, parties of the first part, and B. F. Cook, same State, party of the second part, witnesseth, That for and in consideration of the sum of \$100 paid into the hands of the party of the second part by the parties of the first part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the further consideration of the sum of \$600.00 to be paid by said parties to said second party upon the completion of this contract as hereinafter set forth, the said parties have hereby agreed and contract as follows:

The said second party is to grade a smooth and equable surface for the entire length of said half mile of road.

It is also expressly agreed that said first parties shall furnish free of charge, to said second party, during the construction of said road, the new road building machinery recently bought for St. Lucie county, and that C. H. Edwards commissioner of the 2nd district shall advise with said second party in the construction of said road and shall constitute the only supervisor of said work during its progress.

It is also agreed that work on said road shall begin on the 9th day of March 1908, and that in 30 days thereafter the said road shall be turned over to said first parties finished and complete.

In the event that something should transpire to prevent second party from finishing said road within said 30 days, then and in that event, such further time shall be given second party by said first parties as may be necessary for said second party to complete said work.

And the said parties of the first part do covenant and agree to well and truly pay to said second party the said sum of \$600.00 as soon as said road is completed according to the tenor of this contract, and the said party of the second part does well and truly covenant and agree with said parties that he will faithfully keep and perform the agreements herein contained, and will build said road in a true and workmanlike manner.

In witness whereof, the parties of the first part and the party of the second part have hereunto set their hands and seals in duplicate, this 3rd day of March, A. D., 1908.

Signed and sealed in our presence as witnesses.

F. M. TYLER  
HOMER CONKLING

C. H. EDWARDS (seal)  
PETER RAULERTON (seal)  
J. F. BELL (seal)  
P. KROEGL (seal)

Parties of the first part.  
B. F. COOK (seal)  
Party of the second part.

On motion the work of building the aforesaid road is to be under the supervision of Commissioner Edwards.

On motion the St. Lucie County Tribune is designated as the newspaper to publish the delinquent tax list for the year 1907.

On motion, all county convicts not otherwise employed, will be hired to B. F. Cook at 40 cents per day, he to provide food and lodging at his own expense.

### Watch for the Bulletin.

Late yesterday afternoon The News received the following telegram from Mr. Morgan, the promoter of the long distance automobile race:

"Omond, Mar. 5-Six to eight cars will start in the long distance run Monday morning from Jacksonville. Will give you exact number on Monday."

W. J. Morgan.

This number of cars will insure a warm race and as there is considerable interest here in the race this information will be appreciated by the public. When we receive the news Monday of how many cars are in the run we will bulletin in in front of The News office so our people may know how many to look for here on Wednesday afternoon.

### Death of Lloyd Chaille.

Many people in this section were pained and surprised the first of the week to learn of the death of Lloyd Chaille of Miami, which occurred in Jacksonville early Saturday morning as a result of a horrible accident. Mr. Chaille, who was working on a freight train between Savannah and Jacksonville, fell between two cars just as the train was coming into Jacksonville and his body horribly mangled.

Deceased was well known on the lower East Coast, having lived in Miami for a number of years, and had hundreds of friends in this section.

His twin brother, Floyd, was awaiting him in Jacksonville at the time of his death to celebrate their birthday anniversary. These two young men were so much alike in appearance that very few outside the family could tell them apart and they were very devoted to each other. Deceased leaves besides his twin brother, a widow and child, mother, father, one brother and one sister.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### New Candidates Are Coming Forward Rapidly.

Their Cards Will Be Found on Page Eight. All Officers out for Re-election.

In this issue appears a card from County Treasurer John H. Wynn, announcing for re-election to that office. Mr. Wynn was appointed county treasurer when St. Lucie county was created in 1905 and in the primary the following year was nominated and later elected without opposition. He has served in the office continually and given entire satisfaction and so far there is no talk of opposition to him in this capacity for the primary this year. Mr. Wynn is one of the best known men in this section and has the confidence of the entire citizenship.

B. F. Hardesty of Sebastian announces in this issue as a candidate for superintendent of public instruction for St. Lucie county. Mr. Hardesty is also well known throughout the county and his qualifications for the office which he seeks are beyond doubt. He has served as a member of the school board of this county since its creation and was a member of the Brevard board when the county was divided. His appointment by the Governor in 1905 was confirmed by the people in the following year in the primary. He has had eight years experience in the school room besides his connection with the school affair of the county. Mr. Hardesty is also a Confederate veteran, having served with honor during the Civil War. He is well qualified to fill the office which he seeks.

J. E. Fultz, clerk of the circuit court in and for St. Lucie county, announces this week for re-election to that office. Mr. Fultz has served in this capacity since St. Lucie county was formed. He was appointed to the office and nominated and elected the following year without opposition. His administration has been satisfactory throughout the entire time and he has proven his ability to discharge the duties of the office in the proper manner. Mr. Fultz stands for re-election on his past record as a public servant, and his wide acquaintance and large circle of personal and political friends attest his popularity. He is one of the pioneers of the lower Indian River and is well known all over the county. His promise if re-elected is to discharge the duties of the office promptly, honestly and impartially.

This week we have announcements from four members of the present board of county commissioners, who announce for re-election to their respective offices. They are Paul Kroegel of the first district, C. H. Edwards of the second district, J. F. Bell of the third district and Peter Raulerson of the fifth. These gentlemen have served on the board during the past term and two of them since the county was created, and during their terms of office have had many questions of vital importance. They state that the only reason for announcing for re-election is that they have started a work wherein there is a division of sentiment and it is their desire to continue in office until the work is demonstrated a success or a failure and they feel that to change the board now would undo the beginning and stamp the entire enterprise as a failure. The sentiment all over the county seems to be the same, both among their friends and enemies. Their friends want them to demonstrate a success and their enemies want them to stay in charge till there is no chance of success. At any rate they are out for re-election and as the new law provides each district votes solely for its own commissioner it is up to the voters of the different commissioner's districts instead of the county as a whole. The commissioners job is a thankless one at best and four good men have announced for the office. They stand on their records and promise to discharge the duties of the office in an impartial manner if re-elected.

A card this week announces that Sherrill D. S. Carlton is a candidate for re-election to that important office. Mr. Carlton was nominated and elected

two years ago and during that time has made a most efficient and fearless officer. During the past several years he has had considerable experience in that line having served as deputy Sheriff Brown of Brevard county before the division and three terms as marshal of Fort Pierce. This in addition to his natural ability has fitted him to discharge the duties of the office of sheriff in a most satisfactory manner and he has made a record of which he may well be proud. His qualifications are evident to all who know him and all of St. Lucie county is acquainted with him. Mr. Carlton is running on his record in office and all who have watched him know how well he has performed the duties.

F. L. Hemmings announces this week for the office of county judge of St. Lucie county. Mr. Hemmings is one of the most prominent lawyers of St. Lucie county and during his residence in this section has identified himself closely with every phase of the development of the county. His practice at the bar has been successful and his knowledge of law eminently qualifies him for the office which he seeks. Besides being a member of the bar as a solicitor Mr. Hemmings is a real estate dealer, secretary of the board of trade and chairman of the county democratic executive committee. He also announces that he will resign from the committee at its meeting next week. Mr. Hemmings is well known throughout the county and all with whom he has had dealings attest his sterling worth and fitness for the office.

### Death of A. E. Trowell.

Fort Pierce residents were pained Tuesday morning to learn of the death of Allen E. Trowell, which occurred at Port Orange Monday afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. Trowell has been confined to his bed for several months past, the victim of dreaded consumption, and his many friends some time ago gave up hope of his recovery.

Mr. Trowell and his wife were residents of Fort Pierce for several years during which time he held the responsible position of manager in P. P. Cobb's department store, where he made hundreds of friends. This position he held until his failing health compelled him to resign, and he moved to Port Orange, where he has had every attention that loving hands could render.

A delegation of Odd Fellows from the Fort Pierce lodge attended the funeral and acted as pall bearers and read the Odd Fellows burial service at the grave. The delegation consisted of A. Snellgrove, R. L. Goodwin, S. A. Davis and V. B. Lindey.

Deceased leaves besides his widow a father and two brothers, one of whom, N. J. Trowell, is a resident of Fort Pierce. The News joins in the heart felt sympathy for the bereaved family.

### Card From Judge Parker.

Editor Fort Pierce News:

Allow me space in your paper to announce that I will not be a candidate in the approaching primary for Representative. Six weeks or two months time from my office and the necessary expense that I would be compelled to incur in making the race is more than I can afford in seeking an election to a position that barely pays one's actual expenses while performing the duties of the office. I desire to thank my many good friends throughout the county for their offers of support.

I hope that the people of this county will act wisely in choosing a representative, as the welfare of our State to a very great extent depends upon the class of legislators we have at our State capitol. Our county is the youngest and I think the best in the State, and it is to be hoped that the people of St. Lucie will send a representative to Tallahassee whose ideas are in keeping with the progress of our new born county. The day of the wild-eyed populist, teeming with anarchy, is past and the man with old foggy ideas should be relegated to the rear and let us send a man who is not a demagogue, but who is in sympathy with the best interests of the people of our county and who has the intelligence as well as the integrity to treat all questions of interest with perfect fairness.

Again thanking you, I am  
Yours very truly  
OTIS R. PARKER.

## SCHOOL BOARD

### Matters Pertaining to the County School Affairs.

Ruling Made on the Isolated Pupil Question. March Financial Statement.

School board met in regular session March 2nd, 1908. Present B. F. Hardesty and R. E. Gladwin chairman, with W. J. Nesbitt secretary and superintendent.

Minutes of last meeting read and on motion confirmed.

Application from T. G. Hair of Fort Drum received for aid for isolated pupils, he claiming that he had moved to Fort Drum expressly for the purpose of getting his children to school.

Board ruled that where the home of the pupil is moved the isolated claim cannot be entertained, the purpose of the board being to render aid to the pupil compelled to reach school from three miles or over either by walking, riding or who is at an outlay for board in a school town. The application was therefore refused.

Application from Manning Swain for isolated pupil aid for hauling five pupils to Fort Drum school was received, supported by authority from parents to draw same.

Claim was approved and a warrant ordered drawn for the proper amount when scaled from the school register.

Application received from J. B. Hicks of Fort Drum for isolated pupil aid for hauling five pupils to attend the Fort Drum school.

Claim was approved and a warrant ordered drawn for its amount as scaled from the school register.

Superintendent reported the school at White City as started satisfactorily with an enrollment of 25.

The board desires to place on record its heartfelt sympathy for its absent member, W. D. Edwards, in his great affliction.

The following warrants were authorized and drawn.

Josephine Stinson tchr	\$ 50 00
Mrs M H Jordan "	45 00
Mrs Edith Hunter "	90 00
Mrs F L Hemmings "	55 00
Elma Geiger "	50 00
Edith Hunter "	50 00
Sue Hunter "	50 00
Mrs A B Brown "	45 00
Dorcas Hudson Janitor	6 00
J A Rogers trans pupils	31 25
T D Summerlin trans pupils	25 00
J W Hodge tchr	50 00
Sophie Hair asst tchr	30 00
J S Kirtan principal	85 00
Annie Groves asst	50 00
Mrs Tantie Huckabee tchr	45 00
Emma Helseth "	35 00
Susan T Gladwin principal	60 00
Edna Dudley asst tchr	45 00
Annie Peters "	45 00
Mrs Tantie Huckabee tchr	45 00
Ruth Foster tchr	40 00
Bank Ft Pierce int on warts	46 57
Tribune Printg Co pub fin stmt	2 00
A C McCall reprs No 1	3 00
E C L & S Co lumber No 11	2 21
Thos Dosset work on ground No 11	3 00
J B Hicks isolated pupil aid,	
Fort Drum school	61 00
Manning Swain isolated pupil	
aid, Fort Drum school	61 80
B F Hardesty per dm and migs	9 40
R E Gladwin "	4 00
W J Nesbitt supt salary	50 00
" " copying minutes	2 00
Total	\$ 1247 23

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance in Treas'y as	
per last statement \$ 571 43	
Received during the	
month, per treas-	
urer's report.....	793 33
Warrants outstand.....	10754 69
	\$12119 38
Warr'nts outst'nding	
as per last report.....	\$9043 49
Total warrants drawn	
this month.....	1247 23
Balance in hands of	
treas'r this date.....	928 64
	\$12119 38

W. J. NESBITT, Supt.  
R. E. GLADWIN, Chairman.

Stay for the big oyster and ice cream supper and big dance at the hall to-night after the base ball show.